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SUBJECT: JCCIA DISCUSSES DETAILS OF POW RELEASE

1. ACCORDING TO VIENTIANE SIDE SPOKSMAN, LANE PATHAMMAVONG, THE JOINT COMMISSION TO IMPLEMENT THE ACCORDS (JCCIA) HELD SHORT PLENARY SESSION SEPTEMBER 12 WHICH WAS DEVOTED TO DISCUSSION OF SEPTEMBER 19 POW EXCHANGE. SPOKESMAN NOTED THAT AN EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION REGARDING THE POWS WHO ARE TO BE RELEASED WILL TAKE PLACE AT WATTAY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT SEPTEMBER 17, AND A TEST FLIGHT TO THE RELEASE SITE

AT PHONG SAVAN WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE SAME DATE WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JCCIA AND ICC, AS WELL AS LOCAL AVIATION EXPERTS, ON BOARD.

2. LANE SAID THAT THE RELEASE ITSELF WILL TAKE PLACE ON SEPTEMBER 19 WITH HELICOPTERS GOING TO PHONG SAVAN FIRST TO RECONNOITER THE AIR STRIP AND FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FOLLOWING LATER.

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3. LANE STATED THAT IT HAD BEEN DECIDED TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF LOCAL PRESS PRESENT AT THE EXCHANGE CEREMONY TO THREE AND THAT, SPECIFICALLY, REPRESENTATIVES OF XAT LAO AND SIENG SERI WOULD NOT BE PERMITTED TO ATTEND. (COMMENT: THIS DECISION TO EXCLUDE XAT LAO AND SIENG SERI IS THE RESULT OF LAO PATRIOTIC FRONT PRESSURE AGAINST SO-CALLED REACTIONARY PAPERS.) SPOKESMAN ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT TEN REPRESENTATIVES OF INTERNATIONAL PRESS WOULD BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND.

4. ASKED ABOUT EMMET KAY, SPOKESMAN SAID HE HAD "NO DETAILS" AND ADVISED QUESTIONER TO "WAIT UNTIL THE 17TH."
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